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PATENT APPLICATION

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**Applicants** 

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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE THERAPY AND

DIAGNOSIS OF BREAST CANCER

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 15, 2001, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on October 15, 2001. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 4-7, 16, 58-60, and SEQ ID NO:307. Prior to examination on the merits, kindly enter the following amendment:

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 7, 58, and 59.

Please amend claims 4, 5, 6, 16 and 60 to read as follows:

4. (Amended) An isolated polynucleotide encoding at least 15 amino acid residues of a breast tumor protein, wherein the tumor protein comprises an amino acid sequence that is encoded by a polynucleotide comprising SEQ ID NO:307 or a complement of said sequence.

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